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MISSOULA----Sixty Montana University gridders were greeted with a scrimmage when they reported for spring workouts Tuesday at Missoula, and coach Ray Jenkins says his Silvertips will have "plenty of contact work" every day until the workouts conclude with an intersquad game May 19.

"We'll concentrate on offensive work for the first week of practice, then will stress defensive play for the rest of the sessions," the mentor commented. Preparing adequate defenses for Montana's opener with North Dakota on Sept. 10 will have priority, since the Grizzlies will have less than 10 days of workouts this fall before meeting the Sioux.

Jenkins has enough experienced men on hand this spring to fill out nearly two squads. He hopes to develop a third and fourth team that will be capable of "pushing" the regulars into better performances.

Included in the group reporting this week were sixteen lettermen, three transfers and two service returnees. The rest of the squad consists entirely of freshmen or other inexperienced prospects.

Missing spring drills will be lettermen Jim Johnson, John Matte, and Bob O'Billovich, with the Grizzly baseball team; letterman Glenn Sorenson, recovering from a knee operation; letterman Rich Birgenheier, attending Forestry School camp; and freshmen Pat Dodson and Ed Whitelaw, with the MSU track team.

First full-scale scrimmage for the Grizzlies will be this Saturday morning. Offensive formations, especially passing, will be stressed.

Spring practice personnel include:

Quarterbacks--John Schulz, Paul Miller, Bill Stack, Dennis Stiles and Hal Westberg.

Halfbacks--Jim Grasky, Paul Gustafson, Tom Sullivan, Bob Skates, Steve Wood, Terry Dillon, Dick Miller, Bob Juergens, Steve Anderson and Ron Werba.

Fullbacks--Gary Smith, Gary Ekegren, Don Shotliff, Eric Larsen, Gary Cooper, and Mac Fenton.

Ends--Howard Schwend, Dale Berry, Jim Harris, Gene Moe, Bill Ellison, Bill Bouchee, Jim Bansamer, Jim Tursi and Mike Trotter.

Tackles--John Gregor, Dale Schwertfeger, Mike Thomason, Dave Kosiur, Don Stevlingson, Dan Peters, Ed Flynn, Gerald Gaboda, Lee Hyslop, Carl Schwertfeger, Ed Herber, Marv Tiller, Jack Sharpe, and Lynn Taplin.

Guards--Mike Emerson, Larry Beddes, Jim Bartell, Jack Shevalier, Jack Rudio, Paul Ricci, Tim McHenry, Larry Jones and Jim Sattler.

Centers--Gary Schwertfeger, Dick Huse, Dennis Kimmett, Alan Dettman, Clem Johnson and Robert Barnes.

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